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**STATE SUPERINTENDENT TOM HORNE WILL BE ONE OF
THREE CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS TO ADDRESS
NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

PHOENIX (Tuesday, November 30, 2004) – Superintendent Tom Horne has been chosen by the U.S. Department of Education as one of three Chief State School Officers to address a national conference on Thursday, December 2 to discuss High School Renewal and Improvement. The conference, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education, will include Chief State School Officers David Driscoll from Massachusetts and Henry Johnson from Mississippi.

“The Arizona Department of Education has been recognized for including stakeholders statewide in developing a vision and action plan for high school renewal and improvement,” Horne stated.

Superintendent Horne will be sharing Arizona’s seven goals in the panel discussion to include: developing AIMS intervention; promoting high school literacy; incorporating rich curriculum, including Career and Technical Education and the Arts; increasing the state’s graduation rate; incorporating data-driven decision making; sharing best practices that improve academic achievement; and offering a challenging curriculum for high school students.

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